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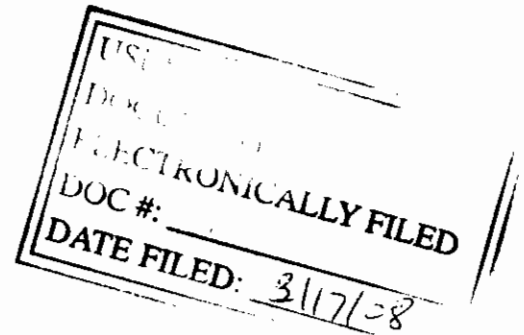
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March 13, 2008

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**BY HAND DELIVERY**

Hon. Richard J. Sullivan  
United States District Judge  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
40 Centre Street  
New York, New York 10007



**Re: United States v. William Davis**  
**No. 07 Cr. 468 (RJS)**  
**Motion to be Relieved**

Dear Judge Sullivan:

Yesterday, I received a copy of correspondence from Mr. Davis to the Court asking that my office be "dismissed" as his counsel. In light of this, I would respectfully request that a conference be scheduled at a time convenient to the Court during the week of March 31 so that new counsel can be appointed.

The government has advised me that Mr. Davis is scheduled to be sentenced in his state case on March 20; if that indeed takes place, the federal case will be able to proceed once the issues about his counsel are resolved.

*Conference set for  
April 3, 2008 @ 11AM*

Respectfully submitted,

SO ORDERED

Dated:

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RICHARD J. SULLIVAN  
U.S.D.J.

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